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SUBJECT: RHODESIA: GENERAL ROUND UP

1. PRESS ACCOUNTS OF AUGUST 11 REPORT AN ANNOUNCEMENT BY RHODESIAN MINISTER OF LANDS, JACK MUSSETT, THAT FOUR MILLION HECTARES OF LAND - IN A SCHEME THAT WOULD COST R147 MILLION OVER TEN YEARS - ARE BEING SET ASIDE TO RESETTLE EX-RHODESIAN SERVICEMEN AND GUERRILLAS WHO HAVE HEEDDED THE CEASEFIRE CALL. THE AREAS INVOLVED, ACCORDING TO THE ACCOUNT, ARE THE HARD HIT MTOKO, MAYO, ODZI AND VICTORIA DISTRICTS WHERE HUNDREDS OF WHITE FARM FAMILIES HAVE LEFT THE LAND. MUSSETT REPORTEDLY SAID VACANT AND UNDER-USED FARMS WOULD BE PURCHASED AND SETTLED BY "SOPHISTICATED FARMERS OF ANY RACE."

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2. REPORTS STATE THAT ZANU (SITHOLE) WELCOMED THE SCHEME WHILE ZAPU VICE PRESIDENT CHINAMANO TERMED IT A "NON-STARTER". CHINAMANO SAID "IT WOULD NOT CONVINCE THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY. THESE GUERRILLAS ARE NOT FIGHTING FOR LAND FOR THEMSELVES. THEY ARE FIGHTING FOR THE LIBERATION OF THE WHOLE COUNTRY." HE REPORTEDLY ADDED THAT THE WAR WOULD SOON REACH SALISBURY AS IT IS ALREADY BEING WAGED IN THE BLACK TOWNSHIPS

OF SALISBURY AND BULAWAYO. HE HAD NO REASON  
TO DOUBT NKOMO'S CLAIM OF A VICTORY IN TEN MONTHS.

3. MEANWHILE, IN PARLIAMENT ON AUGUST 8, AGRICULTURE  
MINISTER MARK PARTRIDGE TOLD THE ASSEMBLY THAT THE GOVERNMENT  
WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO GIVE GRANTS TO FARMERS INVOLVED IN  
SECURITY OPERATIONS OR SECURITY RISK AREAS. REPLYING TO  
QUESTIONS DURING THE DEBATE ON THE AGRICULTURE BUDGET,  
PARTRIDGE SAID HE ACCEPTED THE NEED TO KEEP THE FARMERS  
ON THE LAND AND THE NECESSITY TO EXPORT AGRICULTURAL  
PRODUCTS, BUT THE GOVERNMENT COULDN'T GIVE "HAND-OUTS".  
SEVERAL MP'S HAD PLEADED FOR SOME OUTRIGHT PAYMENTS TO  
FARMERS, SAYING THE SITUATION WAS DETERIORATING AND MORALE  
WAS NEAR A BREAKING POINT. ACCORDING TO THE PRESS, ONE SAID,  
"IF WE LOSE THE FARMERS, THERE'S NO DOUBT IN MY MIND THAT WE WILL  
LOSE THE WAR."

4. IN A BRIEF STATEMENT ON AUGUST 10, FROM THE COMBINED  
OPERATIONS HEADQUARTERS, IT WAS ANNOUNCED THAT TWO MORE  
SITHOLE "PEACE ENVOYS" WERE KILLED IN THE NORTHEAST  
WAR ZONE BY GUERRILLAS. THEY WERE SAID TO BE NATIONAL ORGANIZING  
SECRETARY WILLIAM TAKAVARASHA AND HIS DEPUTY DR. RICHARD  
MTETWA. THEY WERE REPORTEDLY ON A CEASEFIRE MISSION.

5. RHODESIAN PRESS ACCOUNTS ALSO SAY THAT THE FOUR  
DISSIDENT UANC LEADERS - REV. M. CHIGWIDA, Z. MUCHENJE,  
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DR. J. KUREWA, AND REV. A. KANODEREKA (SEE PRETORIA 4477) -  
WILL BE "TRIED" BY A DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE OVER THE WEEKEND.  
ALL FOUR HAVE HELD SENIOR EXECUTIVE POSITIONS AS  
SECRETARIES FOR NATURAL RESOURCES, LABOR, DEPUTY SECRETARY  
FOR EDUCATION AND TREASURER GENERAL RESPECTIVELY. ONLY  
KANODEREKA HAS RESIGNED SO FAR.  
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